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In re the Application of:

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For: LASER DIODE MODULE AND ASSEMBLING METHOD THEREFOR

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on April 14, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claim 1 and ADD new claim 15 in accordance with the following:

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1. (Amended) A laser diode module, comprising:
a laser diode assembly including a base, a carrier fixed to said base, a laser diode mounted on said carrier, a cap fixed to said base so as to surround said laser diode, and a holder fixed to said base so as to surround said cap and having a holder axis;
a lens-fiber assembly comprising:
a casing having a first casing end, a second casing end, a first casing hole having a first casing hole diameter and a first casing hole axis, and a second casing hole having a second casing hole diameter smaller than said first casing hole diameter and a second casing hole axis offset from said first casing hole axis, said second casing hole communicating with said first casing hole and an alignment rail positioned in the first casing hole aligned parallel with the second casing hole axis,

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